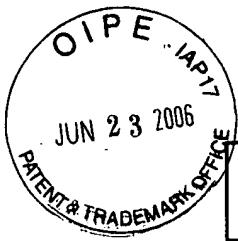


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005</b> (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional)  1377-0156P
Application Number  For	09/673,739	Filed  October 20, 2000
A METHOD FOR THE CHARACTERISATION ON NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES INVOLVING GENERATION OF EXTENDIBLE UPSTREAM DNA FRAGMENTS RESULTING FROM THE CLEAVAGE OF NUCLEIC ACID AT AN ABASIC...		
Art Unit  1637	Examiner  J. Tung	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ 285.00*
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 02-2448. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the  applicant/inventor.  
 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).  
 attorney or agent of record. Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 40,069

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Signature

JUN 23 2006  
Date

MaryAnne Armstrong, Ph.D.  
Typed or printed name

(703) 205-8000  
Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of 1 forms are submitted.

\*An extension of two (2) months was previously requested and paid for on May 23,2006 in the instant application. Thus, a fee of \$285.00 is required to obtain an additional one (1) month extension.

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